Utah County Highlight

Utah County has the youngest population within the youngest state in the nation. One-half of Utah County residents were 25.1 years of age or less (the median age) in 2005. Utah's median age was 28.5 and the U.S. median age was 36.4 years.

Utah County is the second most populous county in the state. The 2006 population estimate for Utah County was 475,425—which is about 18 percent of all the inhabitants of Utah.

About 14.7 percent of all payroll jobs in Utah are located in this county. Of particular note is that almost one in five payroll jobs are in education. Of the 34,100 education jobs in the county, about 19,400 are associated with higher education, in major institutions—Brigham Young University and Utah Valley State College.

In 2006, there were about 8,750 new payroll jobs created, more than one fourth of these jobs were in the construction industry. During 2006, there was an 18.6-percent increase in housing unit permits and a 35.4-percent increase in the value of permitted construction-totaling \$1.9 billion.

- In 2005, 75 percent of Utah County workers indicated that they drove to work alone, 13 percent went to work in a carpool, 6 percent worked at home, and 6 percent either walked, took public transit or used some other means of travel to get to their jobs.
 - Of all employed Utah County residents, 6.5 percent said they were self-employed, 13.9 percent worked for the government (federal, state, or local), and 79.4 percent had private wage and salary jobs in 2005.
 - Total housing units on April 1, 2000 numbered 104,315. The 2005 American Community Survey estimate for Utah County was 127,340—an increase of 22.1 percent.

All Other Education
13%

K-12 Public Education **30%**

Higher Education (public and private) **57%**

Education Jobs in Utah County

Total education jobs in Utah County: 34,087

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services